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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that today agents of the Internal Revenue Service arrested Frederick G. Kriemelmeyer, 58, of La Crosse, Wisconsin. On March 29, 2007, Kriemelmeyer was charged in a four-count indictment with filing false individual income tax returns with the Internal Revenue Service. The indictment alleges that he under-reported gross receipts on Schedule C of Form 1040 for the tax years of 2000, 2002, 2003, and 2004. Kriemelmeyer was arrested because he refused to accept the summons that was sent to him in the mail.

At today's hearing, the government asked the Court to hold Kriemelmeyer in custody pending trial, arguing that there were no conditions the court could set that would ensure Kriemelmeyer's appearance at future hearings. Magistrate Judge Stephen Crocker ordered Kriemelmeyer detained until Friday afternoon, April 27, when a detention hearing will be held and the Magistrate Judge will determine whether Kriemelmeyer should remain in custody until his trial date in August.

If convicted, Kriemelmeyer faces a maximum penalty of three years in federal prison on each count. The charges against him are the result of an investigation by the

Internal Revenue Service - Criminal Investigation. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Elizabeth Altman.

You are advised that a charge is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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